# Central Valley Harvest Bake

Meal Components: Vegetable, Vegetable - Red / Orange, Vegetable - Other, Grains

Side Dishes, I-20r

Ingredients	25 Servings Weight Measure		50 Servings Weight Measure		Directions	
*Fresh butternut squash, peeled, cubed 1/2"	5 lb 4 oz	1 gal 1/4 qt	10 lb 8 oz	2 gal 1/2 qt	1. Toss squash in half of oil reserving the other half for step 3. Transfer to a sheet pan (18"x 26"x 1") lightly coated with pan release spray. For 25 servings, use 1 pan. For 50 servings, use 2 pans.	
					2. Roast uncovered until lightly brown around the edges: Conventional oven: 350 °F for 30 minutes Convection oven: 350 °F for 22 minutes	
Extra virgin olive oil		2 1/2 Tbsp		1/4 cup 1 Tbsp		
*Fresh red onions, diced	4 oz	3/4 cup	8 oz	1 1/2 cups	<ol><li>Toss onions, jalapeno peppers, and red peppers with remaining oil.</li></ol>	
*Fresh jalapeno peppers, finely diced		3 Tbsp	1 3/4 oz	1/3 cup		
*Fresh red bell peppers, diced	4 1/4 oz	3/4 cup	8 1/2 oz	1 1/2 cups	4. Line a sheet pan (9"x 13"x 1") with aluminum foil or a nonstick pan liner. Spread vegetable	

					until they soften and turn brown around the edges. DO NOT OVERCOOK. Remove from oven.
Red quinoa, dry	1 oz	1/8 cup	2 oz	1/4 cup	6. Rinse quinoa in a fine mesh strainer until water runs clear, not cloudy.
Water		3/8 cup		3/4 cup	7. Combine quinoa and water in a covered saucepan and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low and simmer until water is completely absorbed, about 15 minutes. When done, quinoa will be soft and a white ring will pop out of the kernel.
Canned low-sodium black beans, drained, rinsed	8 1/2 oz	1 cup (1/8 No. 10 can)	1 lb 1 oz	2 cups	8. Combine squash, black beans, quinoa, and oregano.
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*Dry black beans, cooked (See Notes Section)	8 1/2 oz	1 cup	1 lb 1 oz	2 cups	
Fresh oregano, chopped		1/4 cup 1 Tbsp		1/2 cup 2 Tbsp	
Sweetened applesauce	12 1/2 oz	1 1/3 cups	1 lb 9 oz	2 2/3 cups (1/4 No. 10 can)	9. Mix in applesauce, salt, and optional lime juice.
Kosher salt		1 tsp		2 tsp	

5. Roast: Conventional oven: 350 °F for 15 minutes Convection oven: 350 °F for 10 minutes Check mixture after 10 minutes. Cook vegetables

					11. Lightly coat steam table pan (12"x 20"x 2 ½") with pan release spray. Pour mixture into pan, pressing to gently to pack. For 25 servings, use 1 pan. For 50 servings, use 2 pans.
Low-fat granola, no fruit	8 oz	2 1/4 cups	1 lb	1 qt 1/2 cup	12. Sprinkle granola evenly over the top.
					13. Bake until heated through and granola is
					lightly browned: Conventional oven: 350 °F for 30
					minutes Convection oven: 350 °F for 22 minutes

**14.** Critical Control Point: Hold for hot service at 135 °F or higher.

Critical Control Point: Heat for 140 °F or higher for

15. Portion with No. 8 scoop (½ cup).

at least 15 seconds.

10. Fold in onion and pepper mixture

### Notes

## **Our Story**

The rich agricultural region of Manteca, California, grows many crops annually, including winter squash, pumpkin, corn, watermelon, and almonds. It was very important to the recipe team that they include locally grown produce in their recipe and introduce healthy, delicious vegetables to the students. Thus, butternut squash, a deep orange-colored winter squash with a sweet, nutty taste similar to pumpkin, was chosen as the featured vegetable of Central Valley Harvest Bake.

This succulent side dish combines the sweetness of butternut squash with the spicy kick of jalapenos and red peppers and is baked together with black beans, red quinoa, and granola for an absolutely delightful mouthful. It complements a variety of entrées, including grilled chicken or roast turkey.

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#### **School Team Members**

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\*See Marketing Guide for purchasing information on foods that will change during preparation or when a variation of the ingredient is available.

Special tip for preparing dry beans:

SOAKING BEANS

OVERNIGHT METHOD: Add 1 ¾ qt cold water to every 1 lb of dry beans. Cover and refrigerate overnight. Discard the water. Proceed with recipe.

QUICK-SOAK METHOD: Boil 1 ¾ qt of water for each 1 lb of dry beans. Add beans and boil for 2 minutes. Remove from heat and allow to soak for 1 hour. Discard the water. Proceed with recipe.

#### **COOKING BEANS**

Once the beans have been soaked, add 1 ¾ qt water for every lb of dry beans. Boil gently with lid tilted until tender, about 2 hours. Use hot beans immediately.

Critical Control Point: Hold for hot service at 135 °F or higher. OR Chill for later use.

Critical Control Point: Cool to 70 °F within 2 hours and to 40 °F or lower within an additional 4 hours.

1 lb dry black beans = about 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  cups dry or 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  cups cooked beans.

Marketing Guide					
Food as Purchased for	25 Servings	25 Servings			
Butternut squash	6 lb 4 oz	12 lb 8 oz			
Red onions	5 oz	10 oz			
Jalapeno peppers	1 oz	2 oz			
Red bell peppers	5 1/2 oz	11 oz			
Dry black beans	4 1/4 oz	8 1/2 oz			

Serving	Yield	Volume
1/2 cup (No. 8 scoop) provides: 3/8 cup red/orange vegetable, 1/8 cup other	25 Servings: about 7 lb 8 oz	25 Servings: 1 steam table pan
vegetable, and 1/4 oz equivalent grains.	50 Servings: about 14 lb	50 Servings: 2 steam table pans

Nutrients Per Serving						
Calories	97	Saturated Fat		Iron	1 mg	
Protein	2 g	Cholesterol		Calcium	44 mg	
Carbohydrate	20 g	Vitamin A	8912 IU	Sodium	115 mg	
Total Fat	2 g	Vitamin C	19 mg	Dietary Fiber	4 g	